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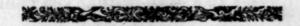
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PARTI. SCENEI.

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CHORUS of Israelites.



OUR Harps and Cymbals sound, To great Jehovah's Praise: Unto the Lord of Hosts Your willing Voices raise.

RECITATIVE accompany'd.

High Priest. Almighty Pow'r, who rul'st the Earth and Skies,
And bade gay Order from Confusion rise;

Thy Servant Joseph with thy Favour grace,
And shed thy heavinly Glories o'er this Place!

Allbaw, intaptured, to the King of Kings

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AIR.

Sacred Raptures chear my Breaft,

Rushing Tides of hallow'd Zeal;

Joys too sierce to be express'd,

In this swelling Heart I feel:

Warm enthusiastic Fires
In my panting Bosom roll;
Hope of Bliss, that ne'er expires,
Dawns upon my ravish'd Soul.

RECIT.

Joseph. Bless'd be the Lord, who look'd with gracious Eyes A Down to Book'd with gracious Eyes A Down his Vassal's humble Sacrifice!

CHORSE A Heachiers.

What the I trace each Herb and Flow'r
That drinks the Morning-Dew,
Did I not own Jehovah's Pow'r,
How vain were all I knew!

Say, what's the rest, but empty Boast,

The Pedant's idle Claim,

Who having all the Substance lost,

Attempts to grass Name Simila Anima doils

And bade gay Order from Confision rife;
Thy Servant Josephamik in sailsafter grace.

Prais'd be the Lord, from whom all Wildom springer I bow, inraptur'd, to the King of Kings.

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AIR.

When the Sun o'er yonder Hills

Pours, in Tides, the golden Day;
Or, when quivering o'er the Rills,

In the West he dies away;
He shall ever hear me sing
Praises to th' eternal King.

RECIT.

2 Israelite Woman.

Who trusts in God should ne'er despair, The Just are Heav'ns peculiar Care.

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AIR.

May balmy Peace, and wreath'd Renown, The virtuous Hero ever crown! May Bliss eternal be his Share, Whose God and People are his Care!

Chorus, Anthem.

The Lord hath given Strength unto his People; The Lord hath given his People the Blessing of Peace.

AIR and CHORUS.

Israelite Man.

To God, our Strength, sing loud and clear; Sing loud to God our King; To Jacob's God, that all may hear Loud Acclamations ring.

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Prepare the Hymn, prepare the Song,
The Timbrel hither bring;
The chearful Psaltery bring along,
And Harp with pleasant String.

End of the First Part?





PART II. SCENEI.

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RECITATIVE.

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OW there arose a new King over Egypt, who knew not Joseph; and he set over Israel Task-masters, to afflict them with Burthens; and they made them serve with Rigour.

and Lice in all their Courters.

CHORUS.

And the Children of Israel sigh'd, by reason of the Bondage:
And their Cry came up unto God.

RECIT.

then sent he Moses his Servant, and Aaron whom he had chosen: These shewed his Signs among them, and Wonders in the Land of Ham.

CHORUS.

the River.

through the Deep as through a Wildernefe.

AIR.

Their Land brought forth Frogs, yea, even in their King's Chambers. He gave their Cattel over to the Pestilence. Botches and Blains broke forth on Man and Beast.

CHORUS.

He spake the Word, and there came all manner of Flies, and Lice in all their Quarters.

He spake, and the Locusts came without number, and devour'd the Fruit of their Ground.

there arole a thew King over be yet, who

He gave them Hailstones for Rain: Fire mingled with Hail ran along upon the Ground.

CHORUS.

He sent a thick Darkness over all the Land, even Darkness that might be felt.

CHORUS.

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He smote all the First-born of Egypt, the Chief of all their Strength.

CHORUS.

But as for his People, he led them forth like Sheep. He brough them out with Silver and Gold. There was not one feeble Person among their Tribes.

To him or bedien C'H Ook U South Wiels bornes .

He rebuked the Red-Sea, and it was dried up. He led then through the Deep as through a Wilderness.

CHORUS

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But the Waters overwhelmned their Enemies; there was not one of them left.

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CHORUS.

And Israel faw that great Work that the Lord did upon the Egyptians, and the People feared the Lord.

AIR.

Hope, a pure and lasting Treasure,
Pouring in its balmy Pleasure,
Sooths the bitter Pangs of Wee:
Hope, to trust in Heaven, inviting,
Now with peaceful Views delighting,
Clears the gloomy Storms below.

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and Israel saw that great Work that the Lord did upon the Egyptians, and the People feared the Lord,

Grand Chorus.

nd believed the Lord, and his Servant Moses.

End of the Second Part,





PARTIII. SCENEI.

MOSES'S SONG,

Exodus xv.

CHORUS

OSES and the Children of Israel sung this Song unto the Lord, and spake, saying,

CHORUS.

I will sing unto the Lord, for He hath triumphed gloriously.

The Horse and his Rider hath he thrown into the Sea.

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The Lord is my Strength and my Song; he is become my Salva

DUET.

The Lord is a Man of War, the Lord is his Name; Pharaoh's Chariots and his Host, has he cast into the Sea. His chosen Captains also are drowned in the Red-Sea.

CHORUS.

The Depths have cover'd them, they sank into the Bottom as I Stone.

CHORUS

CHORUS.

by right Hand, O Lord, is become glorious in Power: Thy right Hand, O Lord, hath dashed in pieces the Enemy; and in the Greatness of thine Excellency Thou hast overthrown them that rose up against thee.

AIR.

e Enemy faid, I will pursue, I will overtake, I will divide the Spoil: my Lust shall be satisfied upon them; I will draw my Sword, my Hand shall destroy them.

AIR.

ou didst blow with thy Wind, the Sea cover'd them, they sank as Lead in the mighty Waters.

CHORUS.

ho is like unto thee, O Lord, among the Gods? Who is like thee, Glorious in Holiness, fearful in Praises, doing Wonders?

AIR.

ou shalt bring them in, and plant them in the Mountain of thine Inheritance, in the Place, O Lord, which thou hast made for Thee to dwell in; in the Sanctuary, O Lord, which thy Hands have established.

Grand Chorus.

e Lord shall reign for ever and ever.

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RECIT.

For the Horses of Pharaoh went in with his Chariots, and with his Horsemen into the Sea; and the Lord brough again the Waters of the Sea upon them: But the Children of Israel went on dry Land in the midst of the Sea.

Chorus repeated.

The Lord shall reign for ever and ever.

RECIT.

MAY STUDYES

thy Bands have effectly bed.

And Miriam the Prophetess, the Sister of Aaron, took a Timbrel in her Hand; and all the Women went out after her with Timbrels and with Dances, and Miriam answered them,

AIR and CHORUS.

Sing ye to the Lord, for he hath triumphed gloriously: The Horse and his Rider hath he thrown into the Sea.

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